

# III) Energy Green Path Initiative

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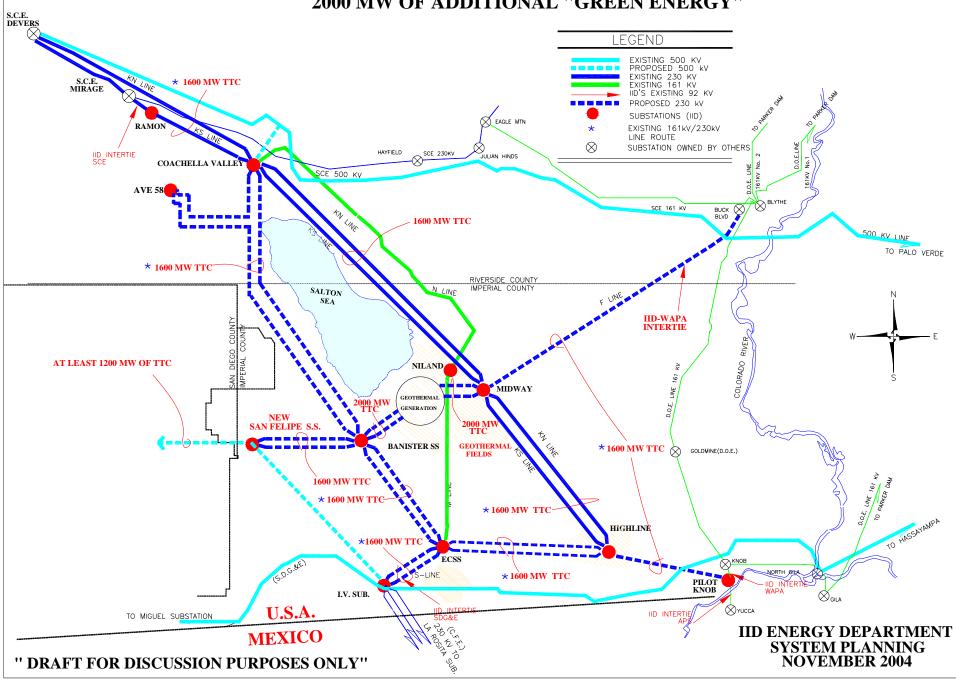
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### IID Energy's Green Path

• A transmission corridor to access geothermal energy resources in the southern portion of the Western Interconnect

#### IID'S PRELIMINARY PLAN OF SERVICE FOR THE WHEELING OF UP TO 2000 MW OF ADDITIONAL "GREEN ENERGY"





## V Green Path Advantages

- Interconnection to three major Control Areas
  - CAISO
    - San Diego Gas and Electric
    - Southern California Edison
  - Western Area Power Administration
  - Arizona Public Service Company



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- Existing Collector Ring around geothermal resources that provides:
  - Path and Right Of Way for future expansion
  - Redundant path provides additional reliability to points of interconnection



### What Needs to be Done

- Encourage collaborative efforts between load serving entities, transmission owners, and renewable energy suppliers to achieve the maximum economies of scale.
- Implement joint transmission projects not just for renewable supplies, but for other energy needs present and future.



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- Assure that the regulatory environment implements joint transmission projects that allow the different models (physical and financial) within the Western Interconnect to coexist.
  - Tariffs and Regulation
  - Price and Operational Certainty



### IV Green Path Imperatives

- Without the Green Path, development of Geothermal resources will be impaired
  - Upgrades and interconnections with other
    Control Areas will be incremental
  - Economies of scale will disappear



### IID Energy's Position

• IID is willing to step up to the plate – be the lead agency to coordinate various efforts within the Western Interconnect to promote the Green Energy Path



#### IID will Promote:

- Geothermal resource integration with other resources in the multitude of planning organizations
  - STEP, SWAT, CRT, CEERT, IVSG, etc
- Joint transmission projects between various agencies or entities
  - Control Areas, IOUs, Public Utilities,
    Independent Power Producers, Load Serving
    Entities, Independent Transmission Providers



#### IID will Promote:

• Collaborative efforts to identify and mutually resolve obstacles to Green Path implementation, and...



### IID will:

- Solicit unified support from various entities on common problem resolution
  - CEC, CANDO, CAISO,
  - WGA
    - CDEAC, Geothermal and Transmission Work Groups
  - CEERT
  - WestConnect
  - wesTTrans Transmission Providers
  - PPIW
  - FERC, PUCs, and other Governing Bodies